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FOR AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON FROM BERLIND

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: WAYS AND MEANS HEARING ON HR 3350

1. CHIEF COUNSEL OF WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE INFORMS US
THAT HEARINGS WILL BE HELD ON THE MORNING OF THURSDAY,
APRIL 13, WITH MARK-UP PROBABLE THAT AFTERNOON. ALTHOUGH
WE UNDERSTAND THAT TREASURY, OWING TO THE ABSENCE OF MRS.
JUNZ, AND OMB MAY REQUEST POSTPONEMENT, WE BELIEVE IT
HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT REQUEST WILL BE HONORED IN VIEW OF
OTHER PRESSING BUSINESS ON WAYS AND MEANS AGENDA.

2. WAYS AND MEANS WANTS TESTIMONY FROM STATE DEPARTMENT
OFFICIAL "WITH INFLUENCE" (AS WELL AS FROM TREASURY). BOTH
DICK COOPER AND JULES KATZ WILL BE OUT OF THE COUNTRY ON
APRIL 13. IN VIEW OF IMPORTANCE OF BEING RESPONSIVE TO
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WAYS AND MEANS' EXPEDITIOUS HANDLING OF THIS MATTER,
SUGGEST YOU CONSIDER MAKING YOURSELF OR GEORGE ALDRICH
AVAILABLE FOR TESTIMONY. THIS WOULD ENTAIL ABSENCE FROM
CONFERENCE FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS, BUT WOULD BE WELL WORTH
THE EFFORT.

3. TESTIMONY WILL ADDRESS ADMINISTRATION REVENUE SHARING

PROPOSAL DELIVERED TO CONCERNED COMMITTEES ON MARCH 23.
CHIEF COUNSEL INDICATES THAT LANGUAGE IS UNLIKELY TO SURVIVE

MARK-UP, WHICH WILL PROBABLY RESULT IN MORE EXPLICIT
IDENTIFICATION OF PAYMENTS DEPOSITED BY PERMITTEES AS
TAXES. IN ANY CASE, WAYS AND MEANS CONSIDERS THE REVENUE
SHARING PROPOSAL TO BE A TAX ISSUE.

4. IN THE MEANTIME, OMB AND TREASURY ARE INTENT ON GETTING
AN AGREED TAX PACKAGE TO THE HILL BEFORE THE WAYS AND MEANS
HEARING TAKES PLACE. IN THIS CONNECTION, COOPER HAS SENT
SECRETARY BLUMENTHAL A LETTER DATED APRIL 3 SEEKING
LATTER'S RECONSIDERATION OF TREASURY POSITION. COOPER
LETTER ARGUES FOR POSTPONEMENT OF TAX TREATMENT DECISION
OR, AS ALTERNATIVES, IF TREASURY PERSISTS IN GOING AHEAD,
DEDUCTABILITY WITH SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO REVENUE SHARING
PAYMENTS AS SPELLED OUT IN HR 3350 OR CREDITABILITY WITH
RESPECT TO PROFIT SHARING PAYMENTS TO AN INTERNATIONAL
SEABED AUTHORITY. (COOPER LETTER POUCHED TO ALDRICH
TODAY.)

5. WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED ON WAYS AND MEANS SCHEDULE AND
OTHER DEVELOPMENTS. IN THE MEANTIME, ASSUMING APRIL 13
HEARINGS, WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS ON TESTIMONY. WOULD
ALSO BE MOST HELPFUL TO HAVE BLUMBERG TAKE FIRST CUT AT
TESTIMONY FOR YOU AND ALDRICH TO REVIEW AND CABLE STADIS
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